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SUBJECT: KAMWA GRANT - FEPACI PROGRAM

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1. LUCIEN MAILLI WEST AFRICAN VICE PRESIDENT FEPACI (FEDERATION PANAFRICAIN DE CINEASTES) STATES THAT HIS INQUIRIES AS TO POSSIBLE TOUR OF FEPACI SECRETARIAT MEMBERS FAVORABLY RECEIVED BY HIS COLLEAGUES AND SUGGESTS THAT HE, THE EAST AFRICAN VICE PRESIDENT (A TANZANIAN) AND POSSIBLY A THIRD SECRETARIAT MEMBER OR DANIEL KAMWA (WHO IS ACTIVE IN FEPACI) MADE UP THE GROUP. NONE OF THESE (EXCEPT KAMWA) HAVE VISITED THE US PREVIOUSLY. IF YOU APPROVE, WILL EXTEND OFFICIAL INVITATION TO FEPACI THROUGH MAILLI.

2. SUGGEST ALSO AS POSSIBLE LINKAGE WITH FEPACI AND KAMWA THAT PROGRAM BE SET UP WITH ROY PAY MADSEN AUT OR OF BOOK IMPACT OF FILM USIS VOLUNTEER SPEAKER FOR SEVEN MONTHS CONDUCTED CINEMA EXCHANGE PROGRAMS MANY COUNTRIES. BELIEVE MADSEN CURRENTLY WITH FILM DEPT OF CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SAN DIEGO (CSIUD). OPTIMUM LINKAGE WOULD BE 1. AFRICAN FILM-MAKER TO STUDY AT CSIUD. 2. MADSEN TO UNDERTAKE SPEAKING TOUR WITH CINEMA WORKSHOPS FOLLOWING INTERESTS OF FEPACI. 3. ESTABLISH CHAIR IN CINEMATOGRAPHY IN AFRICAN UNIVERSITY. 4. JOINT FILM PROJECTS WITH CSIUD. 5. TRANS-
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LATION MADSEN BOOK INTO FRENCH (PERHAPS IN USIA TENDANCES

ACTUELLES SERIES). IMPACT OF FILM WIDELY USED IN US UNIVERSITY
FILM PROGRAMS.

3. OUR ASSESSMENT OF BOTH KAMWA AND MAILLI IS THAT
THEY MODERATING INFLUENCES WITHIN FEPACI MORE INTERESTED IN
INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND PRACTICAL RESULTS THAN IN IDEO-
LOGICAL POSTURING. IF WE CAN PRODUCE PRACTICAL RESULTS
THROUGH SUPPORT OF THE LINKAGE DESCRIBED ABOVE, THIS WILL STEER
NASCENT AFRICAN FILM INDUSTRY AWAY FROM RADICAL CONFRONTATION
POLITICS AND LEAD TO POSITIVE ATTITUDES VIS-A-VIS THE UNITED

STATES ON PART OF AFRICAN CINEMA LEADERSHIP.
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